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Objection to Application Pub. No. 2002/0045843 A1 as being anticipated by published Prior Art

Dear Sir,

We enclose the title pages of our International Application Number PCT/AU99/00827, published on 13 April 2000 (WO 00/20058), and that of John M. Barker et al Application Number 09/837,539, filed on 18 April 2001.

We respectfully submit that the content of Application Number 09/837,539 is fully anticipated by Application Number PCT/AU99/00827. We further suggest that the essential principle of the earlier Application Number 09/628,180 of John M. Barker et al, filed on 28 Jul 2000, is anticipated by our applications, with Priority Dates 6 October 1998, 14 October 1998 and 22 January 1999, being Australian Patent 752790 and US 09/806385.

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